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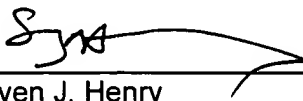
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The following comments are directed to the documents disclosed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08A:

1. Bennett et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,747,893, describes a termination scheme for twisted-wire pairs for network communication systems, such as Fast Ethernet 100BaseTX, where the wires are electrically connected together and a single resistor is coupled in series between the junction of the wires and ground.

2. Yang et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,309,036, describes a driver circuit for use with an attachment unit interface in a network system that receives complementary data signals and an enable signal from a constant current source and a differential transistor pair that includes a pair of differential transistors and a pair of load resistors.

3. Van Brunt et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,485,488, describes a transmission circuit that may operate in a differential signal mode and simultaneously in a common mode signal mode both utilizing a common mode cable.

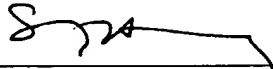
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All of Applicant's claims are believed to be allowable over the references discussed above.

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